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COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION WILL PROVIDE MORE QUALITY HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS

County Executive signs resolution with unanimous County Board support

Milwaukee, WI –Milwaukee County Supervisors Elizabeth Coggs-Jones, Michael Mayo, Sr. and Toni Clark are thanking Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker for signing a resolution providing \$505,944 to develop housing units for people with mental illness.

"The County identified more than 80 low-income individuals with mental illness living in substandard conditions. With this half-a-million dollar commitment, Milwaukee County will able to provide affordable quality housing for 48 of those individuals served by the Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division," County Supervisor Elizabeth Coggs-Jones said. The resolution passed unanimously at the last County Board meeting February 1st.

Supervisor Coggs-Jones chairs the County Board's Health and Human Needs Committee. Supervisor Mayo chairs the Economic and Community Development Committee. Supervisor Clark also serves on both committees. They were joined by Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker, Milwaukee Alderman Willie Wade, Guest House Director Andrew DeFranza and Pastor E. Jones of United Christian Church in Milwaukee, where Monday's signing ceremony was held.

The United Christian Church and the Guest House will build the housing units on Milwaukee's north side, in conjunction with Cardinal Capital and Heartland Housing. Both developments will occur in Supervisor Coggs-Jones district.

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